

MUR # 7064

BEFORE THE
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Mr. Aaron Hedlund

Columbia, MO 65201

Complainant

v.

Patriots for America
1220 Poquoson Avenue
Poquoson, VA 23362

Adam McLain
24 Church Road
Poquoson, VA 23362

Respondents

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FEDERAL ELECTION
COMMISSION
OFFICE OF GENERAL
COUNSEL

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COMPLAINT

Pursuant to 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(1), comes now Mr. Aaron Hedlund and files this Complaint with the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") against Patriots for America ("POA") and Adam McLain for violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). Based upon press reports, publicly available information (enclosed here), and Respondents' own public filings with the Commission, Respondents have violated provisions of the Act, including but not limited to 52 U.S.C. § 30104, which requires submission to the Commission of accurate and truthful reports of receipts and disbursements.

Facts

Mr. McLain submitted POA's statement of organization to the Commission on or about November 5, 2015. Subsequently, on or about November 2015, POA made disbursements in connection with the gubernatorial race in Missouri, as evidenced by the political materials attached here as Exhibits A, B, C, D & E; yet, in POA's 2015 Year-End report filed with the Commission on January 29, 2016, Respondents reported not only that POA had received *no receipts* in 2015, but also had made *no disbursements*. That is to say, POA disseminated direct mail labeled "PAID

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FOR BY PATRIOTS FOR AMERICA;” then Respondents stated under penalty of perjury to the Commission that POA *had not paid for* that mail – or anything else.

Cursory review of Respondents’ January 29 filing yields more curiosities. Respondents reported that POA had no receipts, no disbursements – but \$86,224.00 in debts. The first listed debt was \$56,234.89 to “Draper Sterling, LLC” for “business consulting” (for a nonprofit? with no revenue?); then \$10,000 owed to McLain, for “research;” and, most peculiar of all, \$19,989.11 owed to Semcasting, Inc. for “digital advertising.” How could POA owe a vendor for digital advertising without having made a disbursement for digital advertising?

In POA’s First Quarter 2016 report of receipts and disbursements, filed April 13, 2016 and then amended on April 19, Respondents restated this debt as carrying over through the first quarter. Respondents stated in these reports that POA still had received no contributions, but reported that POA had received \$84,250.00 in “other federal receipts” – that is, bank interest and dividends. Apparently POA received “business consulting” so wise that it was able to earn \$84,250.00 in bank interest and/or dividends off a principal of *zero*. The issuer of the interest and/or dividends was “Franklin and Lee,” an entity which apparently is located at the same four-bedroom, two-bathroom residence¹ at 24 Church Road as McLain (Poquoson is a small town).

Legal Conclusions

Based upon the face of Respondents’ reports filed with the Commission, as well as publicly available information (provided hereto) that shows POA in fact was financially active in 2015, Respondents appear to have violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104 as follows:

- Falsely reporting on January 29, 2016 that POA had not made disbursements in 2015.
- Falsely reporting on January 29, 2016 that POA had not received any receipts – not even in-kind contributions, or loans – in 2015 (presumably necessary in order to have made disbursements).
- Falsely reporting on April 13, 2016 and on April 19, 2016 that POA had received no contributions in the first quarter of 2016.
- Falsely reporting on April 13, 2016 and on April 19, 2016 that POA had received interest or dividends amounting to \$84,250.00 in the first quarter of 2016.

Upon information and belief, in light of the mysterious “Franklin and Lee” that just happens to reside with Mr. McLain and just happened to provide POA nearly sufficient revenue to cover its “debt,” it further appears to Complainant that Respondents may have violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by “knowingly accept[ing] a contribution made by one person in the name of

¹ http://www.zillow.com/homedetails/24-Church-Rd-Poquoson-VA-23662/114682055_zpid.

another person" by utilizing a shell organization to conceal the true source of the \$84,250.00 received by POA.

Upon information and belief, in light of the mysterious "Draper Sterling, LLC" disclosed by Respondents as being owed \$56,234.89 by POA for "business consulting," and the unlikelihood that a federal independent expenditure committee, *with no money*, would need and purchase *any* business consulting – let alone at a cost amounting to 65% of the committee's total disbursements – it further appears to Complainant that this transaction is highly unusual (or its description highly misleading), and deserving of the Commission's inquiry as a potential violation of the provisions of the Act, including but not limited to 52 U.S.C. § 30104.

Complainant respectfully requests that the Commission investigate these apparent violations; enjoin Respondents from further violations of the Act; and assign the maximum fines permitted by law.

Sincerely,



Mr. Aaron Hedlund

State of Missouri

County of St. Louis

City

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me on this 12th day of May
in the year 2016



Notary Public

My commission expires: 02, 26, 2019



**FEC
FORM 3X****REPORT OF RECEIPTS
AND DISBURSEMENTS**
For Other Than An Authorized Committee

Office Use Only

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full) TYPE OR PRINT ▼ Example: If typing, type over the lines.

12FE4M5

Patriots for America

ADDRESS (number and street) ▼

1220 Poquoson Avenue

☐ Check if different than previously reported. (ACC)

Poquoson

VA

23662-1818

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ▼

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

C C00591511

3. IS THIS REPORT

☒

NEW (N)

OR

☐

AMENDED (A)

4. TYPE OF REPORT

(Choose One)

(a) Quarterly Reports:

- ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report (Q1)
- ☐ July 15 Quarterly Report (Q2)
- ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report (Q3)
- ☒ January 31 Year-End Report (YE)
- ☐ July 31 Mid-Year Report (Non-election Year Only) (MY)
- ☐ Termination Report (TER)

(b) Monthly Report Due On:

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- ☐ Mar 20 (M3)
- ☐ Apr 20 (M4)

- ☐ May 20 (M5)
- ☐ Jun 20 (M6)
- ☐ Jul 20 (M7)

- ☐ Aug 20 (M8)
- ☐ Sep 20 (M9)
- ☐ Oct 20 (M10)

- ☐ Nov 20 (M11) (Non-Election Year Only)
- ☐ Dec 20 (M12) (Non-Election Year Only)
- ☐ Jan 31 (YE)

(c) 12-Day PRE-Election Report for the:

☐ Primary (12P)

☐ Convention (12C)

☐ General (12G)

☐ Special (12S)

☐ Runoff (12R)

Election on

in the State of

(d) 30-Day POST-Election Report for the:

☐ General (30G)

☐ Runoff (30R)

☐ Special (30S)

Election on

in the State of

5. Covering Period

M M / D D / Y Y Y Y
11 04 2015

through

M M / D D / Y Y Y Y
12 31 2015

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer Adam C. McLain

Signature of Treasurer

Adam C. McLain

[Electronically Filed]

Date

M M / D D / Y Y Y Y
01 29 2016

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Rev. 12/2004

SUMMARY PAGE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

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Write or Type Committee Name

Patriots for America

Report Covering the Period:

From:

11 / 04 / 2015

To:

12 / 31 / 2015

COLUMN A This Period

COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date

| | | |
|---|----------|------|
| 6. (a) Cash on Hand January 1, 2015 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period..... | 0.00 | |
| (c) Total Receipts (from Line 19) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 7. Total Disbursements (from Line 31) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d)) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) | 0.00 | |
| 10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) | 86224.00 | |

☐ This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)

For further information contact:

Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Toll Free 800-424-9530
Local 202-694-1100

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Receipts

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Write or Type Committee Name

Patriots for America

Report Covering the Period:

From:

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| MM | DD | YYYY |
| 11 | 04 | 2015 |

To:

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| MM | DD | YYYY |
| 12 | 31 | 2015 |

I. Receipts
COLUMN A
Total This Period

COLUMN B
Calendar Year-to-Date

11. Contributions (other than loans) From:

(a) Individuals/Persons Other

Than Political Committees

(i) Itemized (use Schedule A).....

0.00

0.00

(ii) Unitemized.....

0.00

0.00

(iii) TOTAL (add
Lines 11(a)(i) and (ii)).....▶

0.00

0.00

(b) Political Party Committees.....

0.00

0.00

(c) Other Political Committees
(such as PACs).....

0.00

0.00

(d) Total Contributions (add Lines
11(a)(iii), (b), and (c)) (Carry
Totals to Line 33, page 5).....▶

0.00

0.00

12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other

Party Committees.....

0.00

0.00

13. All Loans Received.....

0.00

0.00

14. Loan Repayments Received.....

0.00

0.00

15. Offsets To Operating Expenditures
(Refunds, Rebates, etc.)

(Carry Totals to Line 37, page 5).....

0.00

0.00

16. Refunds of Contributions Made
to Federal Candidates and Other
Political Committees.....

0.00

0.00

17. Other Federal Receipts
(Dividends, Interest, etc.).....

0.00

0.00

18. Transfers from Non-Federal and Levin Funds

(a) Non-Federal Account
(from Schedule H3).....

0.00

0.00

(b) Levin Funds (from Schedule H5).....

0.00

0.00

(c) Total Transfers (add 18(a) and 18(b))..

0.00

0.00

19. Total Receipts (add Lines 11(d),
12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18(c)).....▶

0.00

0.00

20. Total Federal Receipts

(subtract Line 18(c) from Line 19).....▶

0.00

0.00

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Disbursements

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| II. Disbursements | | COLUMN A Total This Period | COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date |
|---|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 21. Operating Expenditures: | | | |
| (a) Allocated Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4) | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (i) Federal Share | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (ii) Non-Federal Share | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Other Federal Operating Expenditures | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Total Operating Expenditures (add 21(a)(i), (a)(ii), and (b)) | ▶ | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E) | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 25. Coordinated Party Expenditures (2 U.S.C. §441a(d)) (use Schedule F) | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 26. Loan Repayments Made | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 27. Loans Made | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 28. Refunds of Contributions To: | | | |
| (a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Political Party Committees | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs) | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (d) Total Contribution Refunds (add Lines 28(a), (b), and (c)) | ▶ | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 29. Other Disbursements | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 30. Federal Election Activity (2 U.S.C. §431(20)) | | | |
| (a) Allocated Federal Election Activity (from Schedule H6) | | | |
| (i) Federal Share | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (ii) "Levin" Share | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Federal Election Activity Paid Entirely With Federal Funds | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Total Federal Election Activity (add Lines 30(a)(i), 30(a)(ii) and 30(b)) | ▶ | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 31. Total Disbursements (add Lines 21(c), 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28(d), 29 and 30(c)) .. | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 32. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract Line 21(a)(ii) and Line 30(a)(ii) from Line 31) | ▶ | 0.00 | 0.00 |

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE
of Disbursements

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| III. Net Contributions/Operating Expenditures | COLUMN A Total This Period | COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 33. Total Contributions (other than loans) (from Line 11(d), page 3) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 34. Total Contribution Refunds (from Line 28(d)) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 35. Net Contributions (other than loans) (subtract Line 34 from Line 33) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 36. Total Federal Operating Expenditures (add Line 21(a)(i) and Line 21(b)) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 37. Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from Line 15, page 3) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 38. Net Operating Expenditures (subtract Line 37 from Line 36) | 0.00 | 0.00 |

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SCHEDULE D (FEC Form 3X)**DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS****Excluding Loans**(Use separate
schedule(s)
for each
numbered line)

PAGE 6 OF 6

FOR LINE NUMBER:
(check only one)☐ 9
☒ 10NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
Patriots for America

A. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

DRAPER STERLING LLC

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
business consultingMailing Address 300 DELAWARE AVE
SUITE 210- ACity State Zip Code
WILMINGTON DE 19801

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

Transaction ID : SD10.4132

0.00

Amount Incurred This Period

Payment This Period

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

56234.89

0.00

56234.89

B. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

ADAM MCLAIN

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
research

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

Transaction ID : SD10.4134

0.00

Amount Incurred This Period

Payment This Period

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

10000.00

0.00

10000.00

C. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

SEMCASTING, INC

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
digital advertising

Mailing Address 1220 POQUOSON AVE

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

Transaction ID : SD10.4133

0.00

Amount Incurred This Period

Payment This Period

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

19989.11

0.00

19989.11

1) SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)..... ►

86224.00

2) TOTALS This Period (last page this line number only)..... ►

86224.00

3) TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C (last page only)..... ►

0.00

4) ADD 2) and 3) and carry forward to appropriate line of Summary Page (last page only) ►

86224.00

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AND DISBURSEMENTS**
For Other Than An Authorized Committee

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Patriots for America

ADDRESS (number and street)

1220 Poquoson Avenue

☐ Check if different than previously reported. (ACC)

Poquoson

VA

23662-1818

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ▼

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

C C00591511

3. IS THIS
REPORTNEW
(N)

OR

AMENDED
(A)4. TYPE OF REPORT
(Choose One)

(a) Quarterly Reports:

- ☒ April 15
Quarterly Report (Q1)
- ☐ July 15
Quarterly Report (Q2)
- ☐ October 15
Quarterly Report (Q3)
- ☐ January 31
Year-End Report (YE)
- ☐ July 31 Mid-Year
Report (Non-election
Year Only) (MY)
- ☐ Termination Report
(TER)

(b) Monthly
Report
Due On:

- ☐ Feb 20 (M2) ☐ May 20 (M5) ☐ Aug 20 (M8) ☐ Nov 20 (M11)
(Non-Election Year Only)
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- ☐ Apr 20 (M4) ☐ Jul 20 (M7) ☐ Oct 20 (M10) ☐ Jan 31 (YE)

(c) 12-Day
PRE-Election
Report for the:

- ☐ Primary (12P) ☐ General (12G) ☐ Runoff (12R)
- ☐ Convention (12C) ☐ Special (12S)

Election on

In the
State of(d) 30-Day
POST-Election
Report for the:

- ☐ General (30G) ☐ Runoff (30R) ☐ Special (30S)

Election on

In the
State of

5. Covering Period

01

01

2016

through

03

31

2016

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer Adam C. McLain

Signature of Treasurer

Adam C. McLain

[Electronically Filed]

Date

04

13

2016

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Rev. 12/2004

SUMMARY PAGE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

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Write or Type Committee Name

Patriots for America

Report Covering the Period:

From:

01 / 01 / 2016

To:

03 / 31 / 2016

| | COLUMN A This Period | COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 6. (a) Cash on Hand January 1, 2016 | | 0.00 |
| (b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period..... | 0.00 | |
| (c) Total Receipts (from Line 19) | 84250.00 | 84250.00 |
| (d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B) | 84250.00 | 84250.00 |
| 7. Total Disbursements (from Line 31) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d)) | 84250.00 | 84250.00 |
| 9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) | 0.00 | |
| 10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) | 86224.00 | |

☐ This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)

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Toll Free 800-424-9530
Local 202-694-1100

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Receipts

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Write or Type Committee Name

Patriots for America

Report Covering the Period:

From:

01 / 01 / 2016

To:

03 / 31 / 2016

I. Receipts**COLUMN A**
Total This Period**COLUMN B**
Calendar Year-to-Date

11. Contributions (other than loans) From:

(a) Individuals/Persons Other

Than Political Committees

(i) Itemized (use Schedule A).....

0.00

0.00

(ii) Unitemized.....

0.00

0.00

(iii) TOTAL (add

Lines 11(a)(i) and (ii).....▶

0.00

0.00

(b) Political Party Committees.....

0.00

0.00

(c) Other Political Committees
(such as PACs).....

0.00

0.00

(d) Total Contributions (add Lines
11(a)(iii), (b), and (c)) (Carry
Totals to Line 33, page 5).....▶

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Party Committees.....

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14. Loan Repayments Received.....

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(Refunds, Rebates, etc.)
(Carry Totals to Line 37, page 5).....

0.00

0.00

16. Refunds of Contributions Made
to Federal Candidates and Other
Political Committees.....

0.00

0.00

17. Other Federal Receipts
(Dividends, Interest, etc.).....

84250.00

84250.00

18. Transfers from Non-Federal and Levin Funds

(a) Non-Federal Account

(from Schedule H3).....

0.00

0.00

(b) Levin Funds (from Schedule H5).....

0.00

0.00

(c) Total Transfers (add 18(a) and 18(b)).....

0.00

0.00

19. Total Receipts (add Lines 11(d),
12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18(c)).....▶

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84250.00

20. Total Federal Receipts
(subtract Line 18(c) from Line 19).....▶

84250.00

84250.00

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Disbursements

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II. Disbursements
COLUMN A
Total This Period

COLUMN B
Calendar Year-to-Date

| | | |
|---|------|------|
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| (b) Political Party Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs)..... | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (d) Total Contribution Refunds (add Lines 28(a), (b), and (c)) ▶ | 0.00 | 0.00 |
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| (i) Federal Share | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (ii) "Levin" Share..... | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Federal Election Activity Paid Entirely With Federal Funds | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Total Federal Election Activity (add Lines 30(a)(i), 30(a)(ii) and 30(b)) ▶ | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 31. Total Disbursements (add Lines 21(c), 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28(d), 29 and 30(c)) .. | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 32. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract Line 21(a)(ii) and Line 30(a)(ii) from Line 31) ▶ | 0.00 | 0.00 |

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Disbursements

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| 38. Net Operating Expenditures (subtract Line 37 from Line 36) ▶ | 0.00 | 0.00 |

SCHEDULE A (FEC Form 3X)
ITEMIZED RECEIPTSUse separate schedule(s)
for each category of the
Detailed Summary PageFOR LINE NUMBER:
(check only one)

PAGE 6 OF 8

| | | | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11a | <input type="checkbox"/> 11b | <input type="checkbox"/> 11c | <input type="checkbox"/> 12 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 17 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13 | <input type="checkbox"/> 14 | <input type="checkbox"/> 15 | <input type="checkbox"/> 16 | |

Any information copied from such Reports and Statements may not be sold or used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

Patriots for America

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

A. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City
POQUOSONState
VAZip Code
23662FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

23000.00

Date of Receipt

 01 / 07 / 2016
 Transaction ID : SA17.4147

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

23000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

B. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City
POQUOSONState
VAZip Code
23662FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

33000.00

Date of Receipt

 01 / 11 / 2016
 Transaction ID : SA17.4148

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

10000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

C. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City
POQUOSONState
VAZip Code
23662FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

53000.00

Date of Receipt

 01 / 12 / 2016
 Transaction ID : SA17.4149

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

20000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional).....▶

53000.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only).....▶

**SCHEDULE A (FEC Form 3X)
ITEMIZED RECEIPTS**Use separate schedule(s)
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Detailed Summary PageFOR LINE NUMBER:
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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

Patriots for America

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

A. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

| | | |
|----------|-------|----------|
| City | State | Zip Code |
| POQUOSON | VA | 23662 |

FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

84000.00

Date of Receipt

| | | |
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| MM | DD | YY |
| 02 | 04 | 2016 |

Transaction ID : SA17.4150

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

31000.00

☐ Memo Item
 MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

B. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

| | | |
|----------|-------|----------|
| City | State | Zip Code |
| POQUOSON | VA | 23662 |

FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

84250.00

Date of Receipt

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| MM | DD | YY |
| 02 | 26 | 2016 |

Transaction ID : SA17.4151

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

250.00

☐ Memo Item
 MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

C.

Mailing Address

| | | |
|------|-------|----------|
| City | State | Zip Code |
|------|-------|----------|

FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

Date of Receipt

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|----|----|----|
| MM | DD | YY |
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Amount of Each Receipt this Period

☐ Memo Item

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional).....▶

31250.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only).....▶

84250.00

SCHEDULE D (FEC Form 3X)**DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS****Excluding Loans**(Use separate
schedule(s)
for each
numbered line)

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FOR LINE NUMBER:
(check only one)☐ 9
☒ 10NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
Patriots for America

A. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

DRAPER STERLING LLC

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
business consultingMailing Address 300 DELAWARE AVE
SUITE 210- ACity State Zip Code
WILMINGTON DE 19801

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

56234.89

Transaction ID : SD10.4132

Amount Incurred This Period

0.00

Payment This Period

0.00

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

56234.89

B. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

ADAM MCLAIN

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
research

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

10000.00

Transaction ID : SD10.4134

Amount Incurred This Period

0.00

Payment This Period

0.00

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

10000.00

C. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

SEMCASTING, INC

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
digital advertising

Mailing Address 1220 POQUOSON AVE

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

19989.11

Transaction ID : SD10.4133

Amount Incurred This Period

0.00

Payment This Period

0.00

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

19989.11

1) SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)..... ▶

86224.00

2) TOTALS This Period (last page this line number only)..... ▶

86224.00

3) TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C (last page only)..... ▶

0.00

4) ADD 2) and 3) and carry forward to appropriate line of Summary Page (last page only) ▶

86224.00

17044410725

**FEC
FORM 3X****REPORT OF RECEIPTS
AND DISBURSEMENTS**
For Other Than An Authorized Committee

Office Use Only

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full) TYPE OR PRINT ▼ Example: If typing, type over the lines.

12FE4M5

Patriots for America

ADDRESS (number and street)

1220 Poquoson Avenue

☐ Check if different than previously reported. (ACC)

Poquoson

VA

23662-1818

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ▼

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

C C00591511

3. IS THIS
REPORT☒NEW
(N)

OR

☐AMENDED
(A)4. TYPE OF REPORT
(Choose One)

(a) Quarterly Reports:

- ☒ April 15
Quarterly Report (Q1)
- ☐ July 15
Quarterly Report (Q2)
- ☐ October 15
Quarterly Report (Q3)
- ☐ January 31
Year-End Report (YE)
- ☐ July 31 Mid-Year
Report (Non-election
Year Only) (MY)
- ☐ Termination Report
(TER)

(b) Monthly
Report
Due On:

- ☐ Feb 20 (M2) ☐ May 20 (M5) ☐ Aug 20 (M8) ☐ Nov 20 (M11)
(Non-Election
Year Only)
- ☐ Mar 20 (M3) ☐ Jun 20 (M6) ☐ Sep 20 (M9) ☐ Dec 20 (M12)
(Non-Election
Year Only)
- ☐ Apr 20 (M4) ☐ Jul 20 (M7) ☐ Oct 20 (M10) ☐ Jan 31 (YE)

(c) 12-Day
PRE-Election
Report for the:

- ☐ Primary (12P) ☐ General (12G) ☐ Runoff (12R)
- ☐ Convention (12C) ☐ Special (12S)

Election on

in the
State of(d) 30-Day
POST-Election
Report for the:

- ☐ General (30G) ☐ Runoff (30R) ☐ Special (30S)

Election on

in the
State of

5. Covering Period

01

01

2016

through

03

31

2016

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer Adam C. McLain

Signature of Treasurer

Adam C. McLain

[Electronically Filed]

Date

04

13

2016

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Use
Only**FEC FORM 3X**
Rev. 12/2004

SUMMARY PAGE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

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Write or Type Committee Name

Patriots for America

Report Covering the Period:

From:

01

01

2016

To:

03

31

2016

COLUMN A This Period

COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| 6. (a) Cash on Hand January 1, 2016 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period..... | 0.00 | |
| (c) Total Receipts (from Line 19) | 84250.00 | 84250.00 |
| (d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B) | 84250.00 | 84250.00 |
| 7. Total Disbursements (from Line 31) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d)) | 84250.00 | 84250.00 |
| 9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) | 0.00 | |
| 10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) | 86224.00 | |

This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)

For further information contact:

Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Toll Free 800-424-9530
Local 202-694-1100

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Receipts

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Write or Type Committee Name

Patriots for America

Report Covering the Period:

From:

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| 01 | 01 | 2016 |
|----|----|------|

To:

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| 03 | 31 | 2016 |
|----|----|------|

I. Receipts
COLUMN A
Total This Period

COLUMN B
Calendar Year-to-Date

11. Contributions (other than loans) From:

(a) Individuals/Persons Other

Than Political Committees

(i) Itemized (use Schedule A).....

0.00

0.00

(ii) Unitemized.....

0.00

0.00

(iii) TOTAL (add

Lines 11(a)(i) and (ii).....▶

0.00

0.00

(b) Political Party Committees.....

0.00

0.00

(c) Other Political Committees

(such as PACs).....

0.00

0.00

(d) Total Contributions (add Lines

11(a)(iii), (b), and (c)) (Carry

Totals to Line 33, page 5).....▶

0.00

0.00

12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other

Party Committees.....

0.00

0.00

13. All Loans Received.....

0.00

0.00

14. Loan Repayments Received.....

0.00

0.00

15. Offsets To Operating Expenditures

(Refunds, Rebates, etc.)

(Carry Totals to Line 37, page 5).....

0.00

0.00

16. Refunds of Contributions Made

to Federal Candidates and Other

Political Committees.....

0.00

0.00

17. Other Federal Receipts

(Dividends, Interest, etc.).....

84250.00

84250.00

18. Transfers from Non-Federal and Levin Funds

(a) Non-Federal Account

(from Schedule H3).....

0.00

0.00

(b) Levin Funds (from Schedule H5).....

0.00

0.00

(c) Total Transfers (add 18(a) and 18(b))..

0.00

0.00

19. Total Receipts (add Lines 11(d),

12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18(c)).....▶

84250.00

84250.00

20. Total Federal Receipts

(subtract Line 18(c) from Line 19).....▶

84250.00

84250.00

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Disbursements

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| II. Disbursements | COLUMN A Total This Period | COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 21. Operating Expenditures: | | |
| (a) Allocated Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4) | | |
| (i) Federal Share | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (ii) Non-Federal Share | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Other Federal Operating Expenditures | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Total Operating Expenditures (add 21(a)(i), (a)(ii), and (b)) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 25. Coordinated Party Expenditures (2 U.S.C. §441a(d)) (use Schedule F) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 26. Loan Repayments Made | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 27. Loans Made | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 28. Refunds of Contributions To: | | |
| (a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Political Party Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (d) Total Contribution Refunds (add Lines 28(a), (b), and (c)) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 29. Other Disbursements | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 30. Federal Election Activity (2 U.S.C. §431(20)) | | |
| (a) Allocated Federal Election Activity (from Schedule H6) | | |
| (i) Federal Share | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (ii) "Levin" Share | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Federal Election Activity Paid Entirely With Federal Funds | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Total Federal Election Activity (add Lines 30(a)(i), 30(a)(ii) and 30(b)) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 31. Total Disbursements (add Lines 21(c), 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28(d), 29 and 30(c)) .. | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 32. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract Line 21(a)(ii) and Line 30(a)(ii) from Line 31) | 0.00 | 0.00 |

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE
of Disbursements

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III. Net Contributions/Operating Ex-
penditures**COLUMN A**
Total This Period**COLUMN B**
Calendar Year-to-Date

33. Total Contributions (other than loans)
(from Line 11(d), page 3)
34. Total Contribution Refunds
(from Line 28(d))
35. Net Contributions (other than loans)
(subtract Line 34 from Line 33)
36. Total Federal Operating Expenditures
(add Line 21(a)(i) and Line 21(b))▶
37. Offsets to Operating Expenditures
(from Line 15, page 3).....
38. Net Operating Expenditures
(subtract Line 37 from Line 36)▶

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SCHEDULE A (FEC Form 3X) **ITEMIZED RECEIPTS**

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Patriots for America

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

A. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

23000.00

Date of Receipt

01 07 2016

Transaction ID : SA17.4147

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

23000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

B. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

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FEC ID number of contributing
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Occupation

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☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

33000.00

Date of Receipt

01 11 2016

Transaction ID : SA17.4148

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

10000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

C. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

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Name of Employer

Occupation

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☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

53000.00

Date of Receipt

01 12 2016

Transaction ID : SA17.4149

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

20000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional).....▶

53000.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only).....▶

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Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

84000.00

Date of Receipt

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| 02 | 04 | 2016 |
|----|----|------|

Transaction ID : SA17.4150

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

31000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

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VAZip Code
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Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

84250.00

Date of Receipt

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| 02 | 26 | 2016 |
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Transaction ID : SA17.4151

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

250.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

C.

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

Date of Receipt

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|--|--|--|
| | | |
|--|--|--|

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

☐ Memo Item

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional).....▶

31250.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only).....▶

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SCHEDULE D (FEC Form 3X)**DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS****Excluding Loans**(Use separate
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☒ 10

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

Patriots for America

A. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

DRAPER STERLING LLC

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
business consultingMailing Address 300 DELAWARE AVE
SUITE 210- ACity State Zip Code
WILMINGTON DE 19801

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

56234.89

Transaction ID : SD10.4132

Amount Incurred This Period

0.00

Payment This Period

0.00

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

56234.89

B. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

ADAM MCLAIN

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
research

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

10000.00

Transaction ID : SD10.4134

Amount Incurred This Period

0.00

Payment This Period

0.00

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

10000.00

C. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

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Nature of Debt (Purpose):
digital advertising

Mailing Address 1220 POQUOSON AVE

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

19989.11

Transaction ID : SD10.4133

Amount Incurred This Period

0.00

Payment This Period

0.00

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

19989.11

1) SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)..... ▶

86224.00

2) TOTALS This Period (last page this line number only)..... ▶

86224.00

3) TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C (last page only)..... ▶

0.00

4) ADD 2) and 3) and carry forward to appropriate line of Summary Page (last page only) ▶

86224.00

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Poquoson

VA

23662-1818

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ▼

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

C C00591511

3. IS THIS
REPORT☒NEW
(N)

OR

☐AMENDED
(A)4. TYPE OF REPORT
(Choose One)

(a) Quarterly Reports:

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Election on

in the
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POST-Election
Report for the:

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Election on

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State of

5. Covering Period

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Type or Print Name of Treasurer Adam C. McLain

Signature of Treasurer

Adam C. McLain

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Write or Type Committee Name

Patriots for America

Report Covering the Period:

From:

01 / 01 / 2016

To:

03 / 31 / 2016

COLUMN A This Period

COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| 6. (a) Cash on Hand January 1, 2016 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period..... | 0.00 | |
| (c) Total Receipts (from Line 19)..... | 84250.00 | 84250.00 |
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| 7. Total Disbursements (from Line 31)..... | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))..... | 84250.00 | 84250.00 |
| 9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)..... | 0.00 | |
| 10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)..... | 86224.00 | |

This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)

For further information contact:

Federal Election Commission
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Washington, DC 20463

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Local 202-694-1100

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Write or Type Committee Name

Patriots for America

Report Covering the Period: From:

01 / 01 / 2016

To:

03 / 31 / 2016

I. Receipts
COLUMN A
Total This Period

COLUMN B
Calendar Year-to-Date

11. Contributions (other than loans) From:

(a) Individuals/Persons Other

Than Political Committees

(i) Itemized (use Schedule A).....

0.00

0.00

(ii) Unitemized.....

0.00

0.00

(iii) TOTAL (add

Lines 11(a)(i) and (ii).....▶

0.00

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(b) Political Party Committees.....

0.00

0.00

(c) Other Political Committees

(such as PACs).....

0.00

0.00

(d) Total Contributions (add Lines

11(a)(iii), (b), and (c)) (Carry

Totals to Line 33, page 5).....▶

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12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other

Party Committees.....

0.00

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13. All Loans Received.....

0.00

0.00

14. Loan Repayments Received.....

0.00

0.00

15. Offsets To Operating Expenditures

(Refunds, Rebates, etc.)

(Carry Totals to Line 37, page 5).....

0.00

0.00

16. Refunds of Contributions Made

to Federal Candidates and Other

Political Committees.....

0.00

0.00

17. Other Federal Receipts

(Dividends, Interest, etc.).....

84250.00

84250.00

18. Transfers from Non-Federal and Levin Funds

(a) Non-Federal Account

(from Schedule H3).....

0.00

0.00

(b) Levin Funds (from Schedule H5).....

0.00

0.00

(c) Total Transfers (add 18(a) and 18(b))..

0.00

0.00

19. Total Receipts (add Lines 11(d),

12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18(c)).....▶

84250.00

84250.00

20. Total Federal Receipts

(subtract Line 18(c) from Line 19).....▶

84250.00

84250.00

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Disbursements

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| II. Disbursements | COLUMN A Total This Period | COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 21. Operating Expenditures: | | |
| (a) Allocated Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4) | | |
| (i) Federal Share | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (ii) Non-Federal Share | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Other Federal Operating Expenditures | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Total Operating Expenditures (add 21(a)(i), (a)(ii), and (b)) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 25. Coordinated Party Expenditures (2 U.S.C. §441a(d)) (use Schedule F) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 26. Loan Repayments Made | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 27. Loans Made | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 28. Refunds of Contributions To: | | |
| (a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Political Party Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (d) Total Contribution Refunds (add Lines 28(a), (b), and (c)) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 29. Other Disbursements | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 30. Federal Election Activity (2 U.S.C. §431(20)) | | |
| (a) Allocated Federal Election Activity (from Schedule H6) | | |
| (i) Federal Share | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (ii) "Levin" Share | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (b) Federal Election Activity Paid Entirely With Federal Funds | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c) Total Federal Election Activity (add Lines 30(a)(i), 30(a)(ii) and 30(b)) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 31. Total Disbursements (add Lines 21(c), 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28(d), 29 and 30(c)) .. | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 32. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract Line 21(a)(ii) and Line 30(a)(ii) from Line 31) | 0.00 | 0.00 |

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE
of Disbursements

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III. Net Contributions/Operating Ex-
penditures**COLUMN A**
Total This Period**COLUMN B**
Calendar Year-to-Date

33. Total Contributions (other than loans)
(from Line 11(d), page 3)
34. Total Contribution Refunds
(from Line 28(d))
35. Net Contributions (other than loans)
(subtract Line 34 from Line 33)
36. Total Federal Operating Expenditures
(add Line 21(a)(i) and Line 21(b))▶
37. Offsets to Operating Expenditures
(from Line 15, page 3).....
38. Net Operating Expenditures
(subtract Line 37 from Line 36)▶

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for each category of the
Detailed Summary PageFOR LINE NUMBER:
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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

Patriots for America

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

A. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City
POQUOSONState
VAZip Code
23662FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

23000.00

Date of Receipt

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| 01 | 07 | 2016 |
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Transaction ID : SA17.4147

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

23000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

B. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City
POQUOSONState
VAZip Code
23662FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

33000.00

Date of Receipt

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| 01 | 11 | 2016 |
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Transaction ID : SA17.4148

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

10000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

C. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City
POQUOSONState
VAZip Code
23662FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

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Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

53000.00

Date of Receipt

| | | |
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| 01 | 12 | 2016 |
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Transaction ID : SA17.4149

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

20000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional).....▶

53000.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only).....▶

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

Patriots for America

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

A. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

| | | |
|----------|-------|----------|
| City | State | Zip Code |
| POQUOSON | VA | 23662 |

FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

84000.00

Date of Receipt

02 04 2016

Transaction ID : SA17.4150

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

31000.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

B. FRANKLIN AND LEE

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

| | | |
|----------|-------|----------|
| City | State | Zip Code |
| POQUOSON | VA | 23662 |

FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

84250.00

Date of Receipt

02 26 2016

Transaction ID : SA17.4151

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

250.00

☐ Memo Item

MO GOVERNORS RACE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

C.

Mailing Address

| | | |
|------|-------|----------|
| City | State | Zip Code |
|------|-------|----------|

FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

C

Name of Employer

Occupation

Receipt For:

☐ Primary ☐ General
☐ Other (specify) ▼

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

Date of Receipt

Amount of Each Receipt this Period

☐ Memo Item

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional).....▶

31250.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only).....▶

84250.00

SCHEDULE D (FEC Form 3X)**DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS****Excluding Loans**(Use separate
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for each
numbered line)

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FOR LINE NUMBER:
(check only one)☐ 9
☒ 10NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
Patriots for America

A. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

DRAPER STERLING LLC

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
business consultingMailing Address 300 DELAWARE AVE
SUITE 210- ACity State Zip Code
WILMINGTON DE 19801

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

56234.89

Transaction ID : SD10.4132

Amount Incurred This Period

0.00

Payment This Period

0.00

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

56234.89

B. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

ADAM MCLAIN

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
research

Mailing Address 24 CHURCH ROAD

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

10000.00

Transaction ID : SD10.4134

Amount Incurred This Period

0.00

Payment This Period

0.00

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

10000.00

C. Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Debtor or Creditor

SEMCASTING, INC

Nature of Debt (Purpose):
digital advertising

Mailing Address 1220 POQUOSON AVE

City State Zip Code
POQUOSON VA 23662

Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period

19989.11

Transaction ID : SD10.4133

Amount Incurred This Period

0.00

Payment This Period

0.00

Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period

19989.11

1) SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)..... ►

86224.00

2) TOTALS This Period (last page this line number only)..... ►

86224.00

3) TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C (last page only) ►

0.00

4) ADD 2) and 3) and carry forward to appropriate line of Summary Page (last page only) ►

86224.00

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
PATRIOTS FOR AMERICA

FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
 C00591511

Mailing Address 1220 PAQUOSON AVE

| | | |
|----------|-------|----------|
| City | State | ZIP Code |
| PAQUOSON | VA | 23662 |

Due to a scrivener's error, an incorrect address for Semcasting, Inc. was listed on Schedule D for the 2016 first quarter Form 3X filing. The correct address should be:

Semcasting, Inc.
 41 High Street
 North Andover, MA 01845

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Vincent DeVito at 617-757-6500.

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Patriots for America

November 5, 2015


Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Form 1, Statement of Organization—Unlimited Contributions

To Whom It May Concern:

This committee intends to make independent expenditures, and consistent with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit decision in *SpeechNow v. FEC*, it therefore intends to raise funds in unlimited amounts. This committee will not use those funds to make contributions, whether direct, in-kind, or via coordinated communications, to federal candidates or committees.

Respectfully submitted,


Adam C. McLain, Treasurer
1220 Poquoson Avenue
Poquoson, Virginia 23662

Paid for by Patriots for America

FEC
FORM 1

STATEMENT OF
ORGANIZATION

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Office Use Only

NAME OF
COMMITTEE (in full)

(Check if name
is changed)

Example if typing, type
over the lines.

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Patriots For America

ADDRESS (number and street)

(Check if address
is changed)

1220 Poquoson Ave.

Poquoson
CITY

VA
STATE

1236621

ZIP CODE

COMMITTEE'S E-MAIL ADDRESS

(Check if address
is changed)

khell@bouditch.com

Optional Second E-Mail Address

video.to@bouditch.com

COMMITTEE'S WEB PAGE ADDRESS (URL)

(Check if address
is changed)

2. DATE 11 05 2015

3. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER C

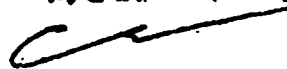
4. IS THIS STATEMENT ☒ NEW (N) OR ☐ AMENDED (A)

I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Adam C. McLain

Signature of Treasurer



Date

11 05 2015

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to the penalties of 52 U.S.C. §30102.
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FEC FORM 1
(Revised 08/2012)

Candidate Committee:

- Name of Candidate**

**Office
Sought:**

☐ House ☐ Senate ☐ President

State

District

- Name of Candidate

(d) ☐ This committee is a

(National, State
or subordinate) committee of the

Political Action Committee (PAC):

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Corporation

Q

Corporation w/o Capital Stock

Labor Organization

Membership Organization

2

Trade Association

U

Cooperative

In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registrant PAC.

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In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registrant PAC.

In addition, this committee is a Leadership PAC. (Identify sponsor on line 6.)

(h) ☐ This committee collects contributions, pays fundraising expenses and disburses net proceeds for two or more political committees/organizations, none of which is an authorized committee of a federal candidate.

1.

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FEC ID number

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Write or Type Committee Name

PATRIOTS For America

6. Name of Any Connected Organization, Affiliated Committee, Joint Fundraising Representative, or Leadership PAC Sponsor

Mailing Address

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Relationship: ☐ Connected Organization ☐ Affiliated Committee ☐ Joint Fundraising Representative ☐ Leadership PAC Sponsor

7. Custodian of Records: Identify by name, address (phone number -- optional) and position of the person in possession of committee books and records.

Full Name

Adam C. McLain

Mailing Address

1220 Pogueson Ave

Pogueson

VA

23662

Title or Position

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

TREASURER

Telephone number

850-238-6495

8. Treasurer: List the name and address (phone number -- optional) of the treasurer of the committee; and the name and address of any designated agent (e.g., assistant treasurer).

Full Name
of Treasurer

Adam C. McLain

Mailing Address

1220 Pogueson Ave

Pogueson

VA

23662

Title or Position

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

TREASURER

Telephone number

850-238-6495

Full Name of
Designated
Agent

Mailing Address

Title or Position

Telephone number

9. Banks or Other Depositories: List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds.

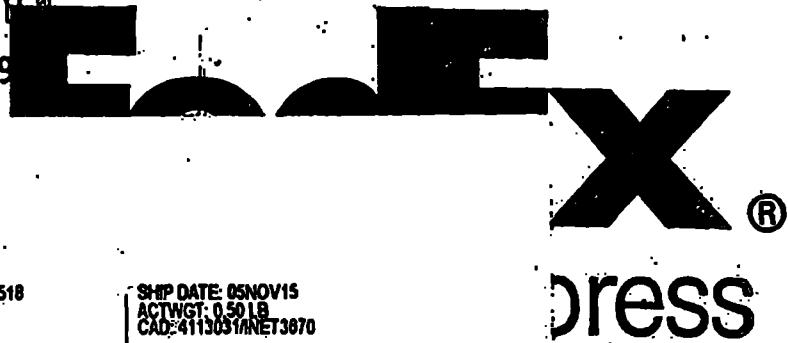
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Mailing Address

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.

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UNITED STATES US

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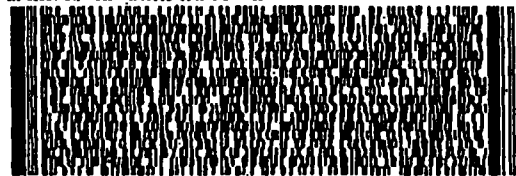
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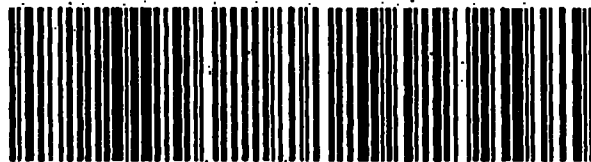
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Super PAC blurs legal lines in Missouri governor's race

POLITICO

By Theodoric Meyer

April 21, 2016 - 5:00AM

<https://www.politicopro.com/campaigns/story/2016/04/super-pac-blurs-legal-lines-in-missouri-governors-race-108049>

A conservative super PAC that roiled the Missouri governor's race last year may be in legal trouble after finally revealing who funds the effort - a newly formed nonprofit that is not required to disclose its donors - and just how it has spent its money.

The super PAC, called Patriots for America, made a splash shortly after a former staffer for GOP candidate John Brunner started it last fall. The PAC quickly created a website urging Republicans to vote for anyone but Brunner rival Eric Greitens, prompting Greitens to call Brunner a "weasel" in a taped phone call that was leaked to the press.

The FEC recently suggested it might make examples of donors who shield themselves from disclosure by forming shell corporations through which they donate political funds. But it's not illegal for nonprofits to fund super PACs, and the FEC has shown little interest in going after such groups that spend too much on politics.

What could land Patriots for America in trouble, though, is the fact that it spent money on a state-level race without filing reports with Missouri's campaign finance authorities, which requires faster disclosure for some activities, according to multiple attorneys. It has sent out mailers and has run digital ads bashing Greitens, but none of that activity has been reported to Missouri's Ethics Commission.

That could make it one of the few super PACs of the Citizens United era to face significant legal trouble, observers said.

Chuck Hatfield, a veteran political attorney in Missouri, said he wouldn't advise one of his clients to take the risks this super PAC appears to have taken, especially if the super PAC wasn't reporting properly at the federal level, either. "That's got to be illegal," Hatfield said. "You've got report this stuff somewhere."

Months after ratcheting up tensions between Greitens and Brunner last fall, Patriots for America finally pulled back the curtain on its finances in a FEC filing this month. All of its cash came from Franklin & Lee, a previously unknown nonprofit with plans to be "heavily involved" in the Missouri governor's race.

But that's where the trail goes cold. Franklin & Lee, like other nonprofits, isn't required to reveal its donors, and it's open about being organized to conceal their names.

The FEC report listed no expenditures - only debts of about \$86,000 owed to two companies and Adam McLain, the former Brunner staffer who started the super PAC. It didn't list any receipts, either, leaving its donors a mystery.

In an interview, McLain said the super PAC had done nothing wrong and was "certainly within the regulations to work in a race in Missouri."

But several campaign finance lawyers said Patriots for America appeared to be bending and potentially breaking the law - although its FEC filing is such a mess that it's hard to tell. "Let me put it this way: This report doesn't make any sense," said Larry Noble, a former FEC general counsel who now works for the Campaign Legal Center in Washington.

Liz Ziegler, the Missouri Ethics Commission's general counsel, said it's possible the super PAC could avoid filing reports with the state since it is registered with the FEC.

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McLain, the former Brunner staffer who created the super PAC, said he learned about Greitens' record while working for Brunner and decided to start a super PAC in an effort to force Greitens out of the race. "To me, that was the ultimate mission, the larger mission," McLain said in an interview.

The super PAC's ads have gone after Greitens much more harshly than Brunner has, and McLain appears to have a visceral dislike for the man. He referred to Greitens as a "Manchurian candidate" in an interview and compared him to Frank Underwood, the murderous president on "House of Cards," in an op-ed. "Our whole mission is we and our supporters recognize that Eric is not only bad for Missouri but bad for the United States," McLain said.

McLain insisted that Patriots for America isn't working for Brunner - or any other candidate, for that matter. "It is not about one candidate or the other," he said.

McLain doesn't seem to be the only former Brunner staffer with ties to the super PAC. Vincent DeVito, a lawyer for the super PAC, forwarded an email from a POLITICO reporter to Paul Holzer, Brunner's former campaign manager, minutes after receiving it, according to a copy of the exchange. A spokeswoman for one of the companies hired by Patriots for America said Holzer's firm has made introductions.

Holzer, a former Navy SEAL and current Dartmouth medical student, said via email that he'd left Brunner's campaign months ago - and he didn't have especially kind words for the candidate.

"By August, I felt that John wasn't fully committed to becoming Governor; nothing I have observed since has changed my opinion," Holzer wrote in an email. "We parted on good terms, but overall, it was disappointing."

The Brunner campaign confirmed that McLain and Holzer hadn't been affiliated with the campaign since last year.

Meanwhile, the original source of the money going to McLain and others with the super PAC remains unknown.

Franklin & Lee, the lone donor to the super PAC, is a new nonprofit with plans to be "heavily involved in the 2016 election cycle," said Matt Wylie, a veteran Republican operative who's working as the group's political director.

The group plans to be active in Missouri supporting "conservative causes," Wylie said, although "Missouri is not necessarily the only place that we will be involved."

Unlike super PACs, nonprofits don't have to reveal their donors - and Wylie said that was part of the appeal for the group's benefactors. "It's attractive because it's a way for them to give to conservative causes without [their names] having to be disclosed," Wylie said.

McLain wasn't any more forthcoming about the source of the PAC's money. He agreed to speak with POLITICO late Friday afternoon and called from a blocked number. But he said he had to go shortly after being asked whether Patriots for America might be breaking the law by not registering in Missouri.

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Anti-Greitens super PAC as mysterious as it is aggressive

By Kevin McDermott St. Louis Post-Dispatch Apr 22, 2016



Mr.

John Brunner



Mr.

Eric Greitens

Missouri candidates John Brunner and Eric Greitens

ST. LOUIS • Both the federal government and the state of Missouri require that when entities spend money to support or oppose political candidates, they must reveal where that money came from.

Yet the funding source for a federal political action committee set up to attack Missouri gubernatorial candidate Eric Greitens remains a mystery in both Jefferson City and Washington, thanks to some creative use of the rules.

In essence, the super PAC has avoided Missouri campaign disclosure requirements by filing with the federal system instead — and has effectively circumvented federal disclosure requirements by running all its money through a nonprofit corporation listed at the same address as the founder of the super PAC.

It's unclear whether the super PAC has broken any law. But it has definitely highlighted gaping loopholes in both the state and federal campaign finance systems.

"They're gaming the disclosure laws" to hide the sources of their money, said Brendan Fischer, association counsel at the Campaign Legal Center, a Washington-based nonpartisan reform group.

Missouri regulators have left the issue in the hands of the Federal Election Commission, which in turn "has been asleep at the switch," said Fischer. "They have consistently declined to enforce the law."

The super PAC, a Virginia-based entity with the ubervague name Patriots for America, has been at the heart of a longstanding grudge match between Greitens and businessman John Brunner. Both are seeking Missouri's Republican nomination for governor this year, along with former Missouri House Speaker Catherine Hanaway and Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder.

Patriots for America was set up in November by Adam McLain, a former Brunner campaign staffer. The super PAC also has apparent connections to Brunner's former campaign chief of staff, Paul Holzer, a Post-Dispatch inquiry found this week.

Still, McLain has insisted the super PAC is his own venture, with no ties to the Brunner campaign. As such, it's allowed to raise unlimited money, as long as there's no coordination with any candidate.

The super PAC has been aggressive in attacking Greitens, to the point that Greitens complained bitterly to Brunner in a telephone confrontation last year that Brunner secretly recorded, and which was later publicized.

Yet there is no record of Patriots for America in Missouri's campaign disclosure system, where political campaigns operating in the state are supposed to divulge the sources of their funding and how their money is being spent.

One potential defense for that lapse is the fact that the super PAC has filed disclosure forms with the FEC. "It's possible" that could legally relieve the PAC of the responsibility of filing in Missouri, said Liz Ziegler, general counsel for the Missouri Ethics Commission.

So those federal filings would answer the funding questions that aren't getting answered in Missouri, right?

Not exactly.

According to Patriots for America's federal filing, its sole monetary donor is a recently formed nonprofit corporation called Franklin & Lee, which contributed more than \$84,000 in January and February.

And where did Franklin & Lee get that money? No one knows. As a nonprofit, it isn't required to divulge its donors in the way that a super PAC is.

Little information is available about Franklin & Lee. But its mailing address in the tiny town of Paquoson, Va., is the same as one of the listed addresses for McLain, the former Brunner staffer who set up the Patriots for America super PAC, according to campaign records.

McLain also shares an address with the super PAC itself — in the same town as the nonprofit, about four blocks away, according to a Paquoson map.

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McLain didn't return emails seeking comment this week.

When a reporter called the Boston attorney listed on Patriots for America's documentation to ask if anyone else could speak for the super PAC, the attorney's office referred questions to Holzer, Brunner's former campaign chief of staff. Someone answering Holzer's phone Friday said he was unavailable, and hung up.

Despite the involvement of its two former staffers, Brunner's campaign has repeatedly denied it has any connection with the super PAC. A Brunner spokesman didn't respond to multiple messages seeking comment for this article last week.

Since the U.S. Supreme Court's 2010 Citizens United ruling that unleashed corporate political spending, reformers say it's become common for super PACs to game the rules in various ways to make the money harder to follow.

Fischer, of the Campaign Legal Center, said one unusual aspect of the Missouri situation is that the super PAC in question chose to file as a federal committee, even though its operational focus is on a state gubernatorial candidate.

He suggested that is a testament to the FEC's reputation for lax enforcement — that the super PAC's organizers may have felt that even Missouri, known nationally for its refusal to impose ethics standards on campaigns, would subject them to more scrutiny than the FEC would.

"The Missouri Ethics Commission has deferred their responsibility to the FEC," said Fischer, " ... and the FEC is not going to enforce the law."

An FEC spokesperson said in a written statement that the agency doesn't comment on specific campaign committees.

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Patriots for America, Brought To You By...

Patriots for America, the SuperPAC which started months ago needling Eric Greitens about his seemingly Democratic past, filed their end of year campaign finance report. It was filed with the FEC. (Patriots hasn't filed anything in Missouri, despite what looks to me like the clear letter of the law requiring them to).

So who's been paying for their research, website and mailers? No one - so far. It's all been done on credit according to the report. Patriots showed \$0 in receipts, and \$86,224 in debt.

The debt breaks down like this: Draper Sterling LLC is owed \$56,234 for "business consulting;" the committee's treasurer Adam McLain is owed \$10,000 for research; Semcasting LLC is owed \$19,989 for digital advertising.

Now... what gets a little interesting here is what looks to my eyes like an obvious scheme to keep a curtain across this SuperPAC. A Google search of "Draper Sterling" pulls up lots of Mad Men references. And Draper Sterling LLC was incorporated about two months ago - December 2, 2015 in Delaware. Who is Draper Sterling LLC? We may never know.

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Anti-Eric Greitens campaign tied to former John Brunner staffer springs into action

HIGHLIGHTS

This is the one of the first serious political skirmishes of the 2016 GOP race

BY STEVE KRASKE

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A former staffer of John Brunner's campaign for Missouri governor is involved with a new super political action committee that is attempting to undermine the conservative credentials of rival Republican Eric Greitens.

The committee set up a website — ericgrietens.com — in recent days that opens with a picture of the candidate and the headline, "Eric Greitens is not a Conservative."

Underneath that headline are three more:

"NOT a Conservative.

Not Then. Not Now. Not Ever.

Learn the Truth about Eric Greitens."

The site is an attempt to undermine Greitens, a former Navy SEAL, with conservative voters who show up in big numbers for party primaries and often determine who the GOP nominee is. The committee has also issued ads on search sites that carry the same anti-Greitens theme.

The website is also a sly trick. Greitens spells his name with the "e" before the "i." The website flips that in a bid to attract the attention of voters who may not know how to spell it.

"It's a shame they're going negative this early," said Greitens spokesman Austin Chambers. "John (Brunner) and Eric (Greitens) have met multiple times, and each of those times they had good conversations. They talked that if they did run, it was important that they ran a clean campaign.

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"It's interesting to see that they've decided to go down this route this early and go this negative."

Brunner's campaign said the former employee connected to the site, Adam McLain, was let go from the campaign in September for performance issues and because he wasn't willing to move to Missouri. Campaign records show he was paid nearly \$13,000 for his work over several months, including a \$3,515 payment on Sept. 30, the final day of the third quarter.

"We're not a part of this," Brunner spokesman Mike Hafner said.

Sept. 30 was the cut-off date for public information on donations to the campaign and payments from it so far this year. The next report isn't due until January.

Brunner has vowed not to engaged in negative campaigning.

"As a candidate, I make the following pledge: I will not personally participate, nor will I condone any person employed by my campaign to engage in a campaign of personal destruction," Brunner said in a statement in April when he announced an exploratory campaign for governor. "I challenge all candidates for governor to join with me and take the high road."

Three other candidates — former House Speaker Catherine Hanaway, state Sen. Bob Dixon and Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder — are also competing in the GOP primary.

The bogus Greitens website indicates that it is paid for by a group called Patriots for America. The website states that the group is "not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee." McLain signed a Nov. 5 statement of organization filed with the Federal Election Committee for the group and listed himself as treasurer.

"This committee intends to make independent expenditures...." the letter reads.

McLain, who listed a home address in Poquoson, Virginia, was reached late Friday. Asked when he left Brunner's campaign, he denied comment.

"I don't mean to be short or rude, don't take it that way," he said. "But I have no comment."

The name of Boston attorney Vincent DeVito also appears on the statement of organization. On his website, he said he was chief legal counsel for Scott Brown's 2014 campaign for U.S. Senate in New Hampshire and Charlie Baker's 2014 campaign for Massachusetts

governor. Brunner's chief of staff, Paul Holzer of Boston, worked on Baker's campaign. Brunner senior adviser Beth Myers of Boston worked on Brown's campaign.

Asked if he condemned the anti-Greitens efforts, Hafner said, "The official answer is we can't speak for this other group.

"If they were saying something that is completely baseless or untrue, then I think absolutely we would (condemn it),' he added. "If they were participating in a campaign of personal destruction against anybody, we would come out and completely condemn that right away. There's no question about that."

There's also no question that negative overtones are creeping into a GOP primary race more than eight months before primary election day.

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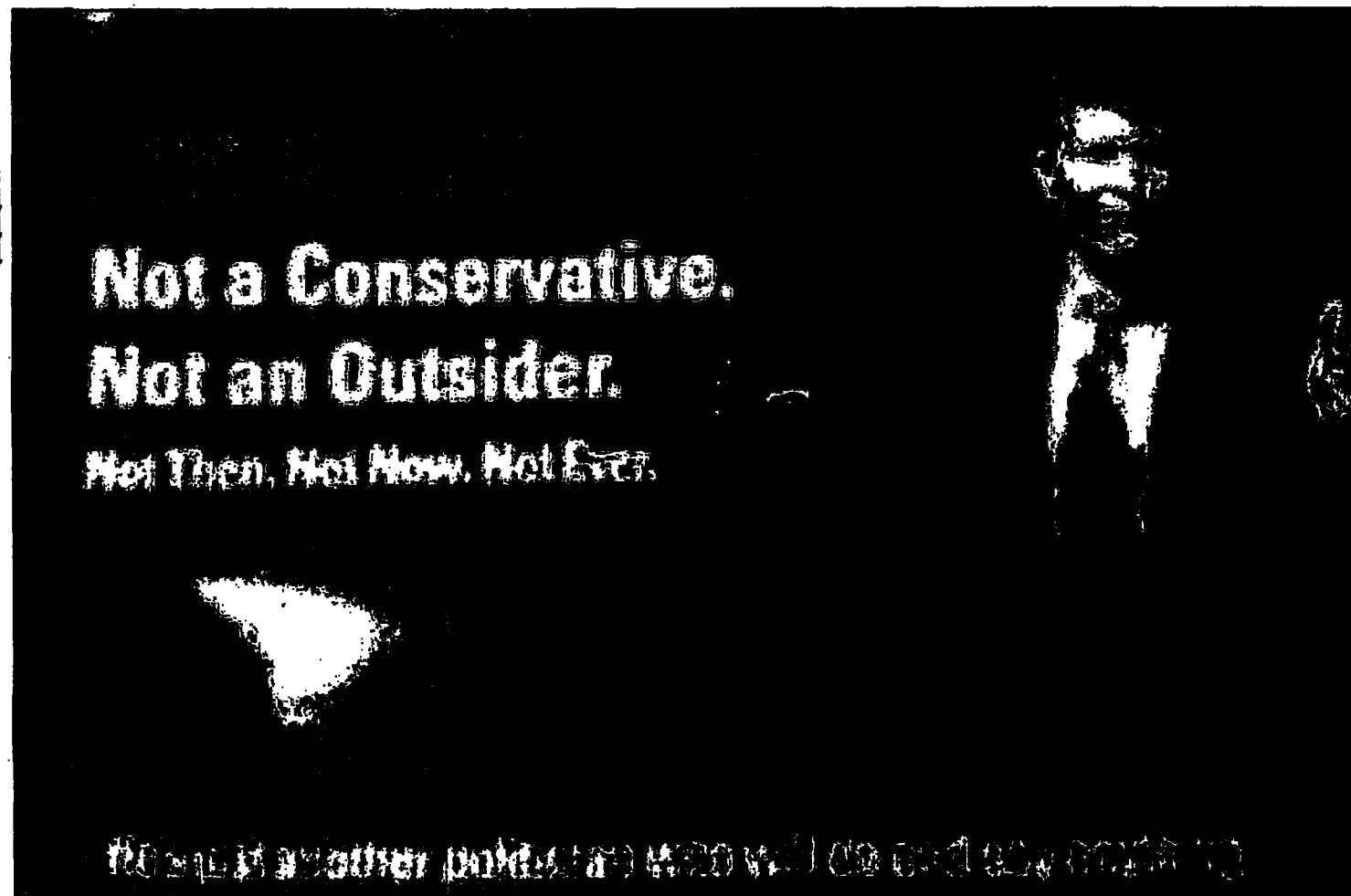
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December 15, 2015



JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The political action committee (PAC) Patriots for America began dropping a mail piece this week highlighting Republican gubernatorial candidate Eric Greitens' recent conversion from the Democratic Party and claiming he is not a conservative.

The mailer attempts to drive home the point that Greitens is not a conservative by showing his prior endorsement of St. Louis Mayor Francis Slay, among other claims.

It also hits Greitens for stating that he is a lifetime member of the NRA, but claims he only became a member of the NRA earlier this year.

It is such parsing of his resume that could get him in trouble with Republicans who only became aware of him this year.

Greitens has repeatedly claimed that one of his opponents, John Brunner, is behind the PAC. In a phone call, Brunner recorded Greitens calling him a "weasel," a "coward," and a "liar," among other names.

Greitens campaign manager Austin Chambers reacted, "We hope Mr. Brunner and his SuperPAC continue to waste money, because their attacks aren't working. Conservatives are rallying behind Eric because he's a fighter who will take on the insiders in both parties to move Missouri forward."

Both Greitens supporters and Steve Kraske have pointed to links between the person behind the PAC and people working in the Brunner campaign.

The mail piece also directs recipients to the PAC's website (<http://www.ericgreitens.com>), which slightly misspells Greitens name, and contains several attacks including video clips of speeches Greitens praising the United Nations and warning about the dangers of climate change.

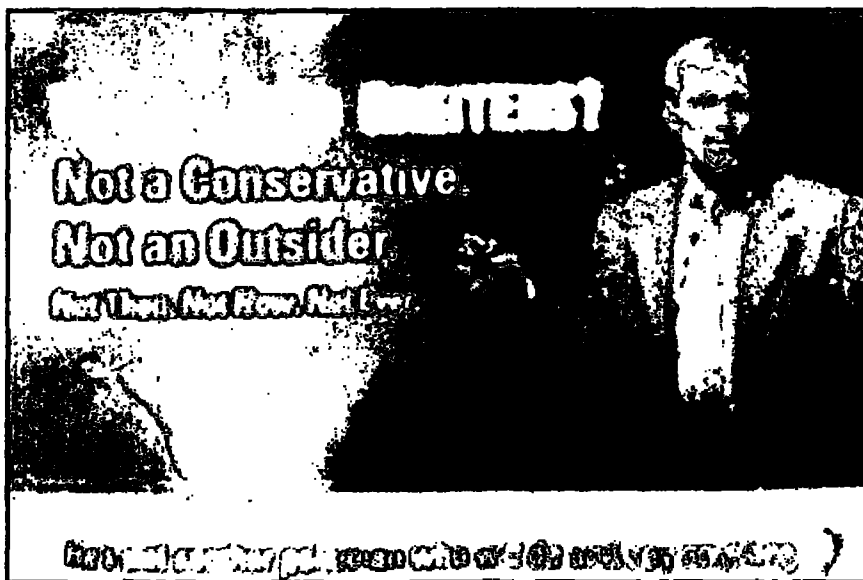
The mail was hitting mailboxes the same day as a *Politico* story by Kevin Robillard stated Congressman Steve Israel, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee in the 2010 cycle, saying "[Greitens] was totally in line with Democratic values. I thought he was a progressive breath of fresh air."

In the article, Greitens campaign manager Austin Chambers responded:

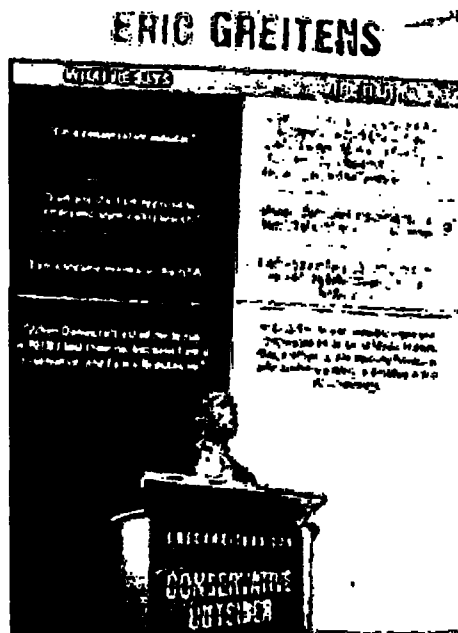
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Like a lot of politicians, Congressman Israel has a tough time with the truth and is trying to score cheap political points because Democrats are terrified of running against Eric.

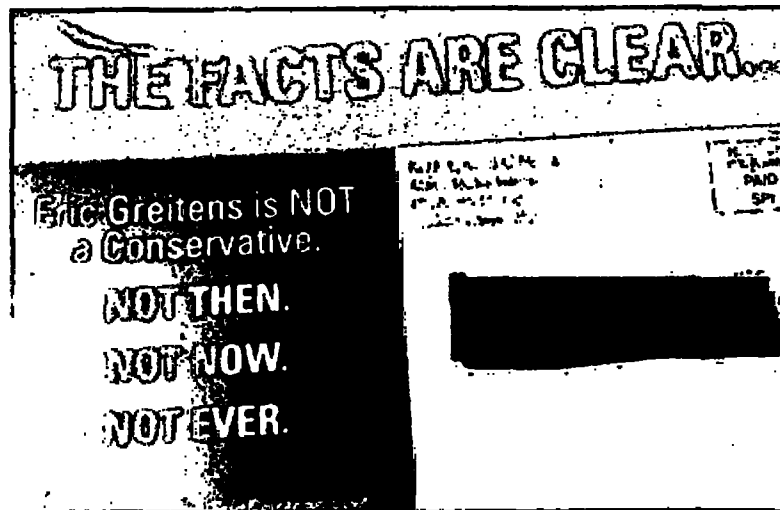
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Exhibit B: Direct Mail campaign

Exhibit C: Website banner advertisement

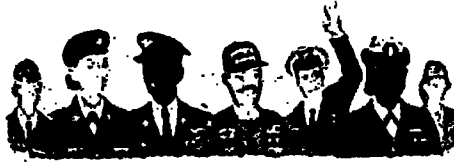
Exhibit D: Patriots for America Website

Exhibit E: Patriots for America YouTube page

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Google Advertisement

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Eric Greitens
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Exhibit B
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Eric Greitens is NOT
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NOT THEN.

NOT NOW.

NOT EVER.

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WHO IS ERIC GREITENS?

Not a Conservative.

Not an Outsider.

Not Then. Not Now. Not Ever.



He's just another politician who will do and say anything.

ERIC GREITENS

WHAT HE SAYS:

"I'm a conservative outsider."

"I am pro-life. I am opposed to embryonic stem-cell research."

"I am a lifetime member of the NRA."

"When Democrats asked me to run [in 2016] I told them no, because I am a conservative, and I am a Republican."

THE TRUTH

Liberal author Joe Klein, who profiled Greitens in his book *Charlie Mike*:
"Greitens is running as a Pro Gay-Rights, Pro-Immigration Reform Republican" whose impact will be "pretty dramatic."

Missouri Democrats applauded "Eric's quiet support of embryonic stem cell research."

Greitens did not join the NRA until 2015... mere months before entering the race for Governor.

In 2013, Greitens actively endorsed and campaigned for St. Louis Mayor Francis Slay, a left-wing, pro-abortion Democrat who supports a massive increase in the minimum wage.



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THIS AUGUST, ANYONE BUT GREITENS

WHO ARE WE?

We are a group of conservative Patriots: concerned citizens and military veterans, and Missourians who desire to promote rugged individualism and enduring values that our Patriots defend and vigorously believe in. These include our own lives, lived in Missouri.

We **DO NOT** support or endorse any politician candidate in the Missouri Republican 2016 Primary. Instead, we are opposed to one: Eric Greitens, who seeks to devalue voters and misrepresents his liberal ideology as "most conservative" values.

More realistic candidates with engineered reputations, such as Greitens, is precisely what is wrong with American politics today and this endangers democracy. Making mistake Greitens seeks to become Governor only as a stepping stone to become President.

Our mission: This August, **ANYONE BUT GREITENS**.

It's time to **ACT NOW**. Greitens' progressive supporters and affiliates in reach of local offices have well supplied his campaign - he has more than \$4,000,000 dollars which will fund an incessant series of TV advertisements this SPRING. If we delay his fundraising will continue, and his momentum will be more explosive - perhaps impossible - to stop.

The next 90 days are **CRITICAL**.

Please take 2 minutes to learn how **YOU** can stop two Democrats from running for Governor of Missouri in 2016, and the ascension of the next liberal Presidential candidate. Thank you so much.

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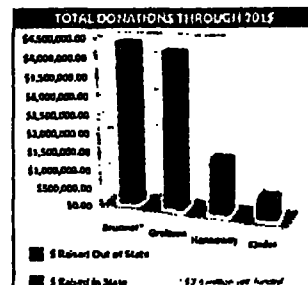
In the currency he is a progressive politician that has been responsible for his difficult life. He has been groomed and supported by wealthy donors for years to support their personal political agendas.

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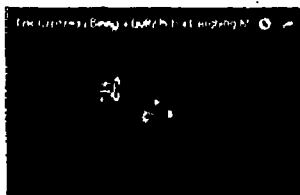
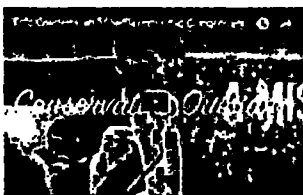
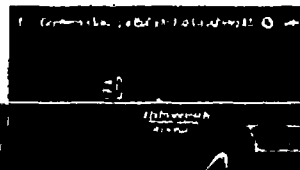
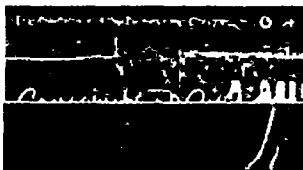
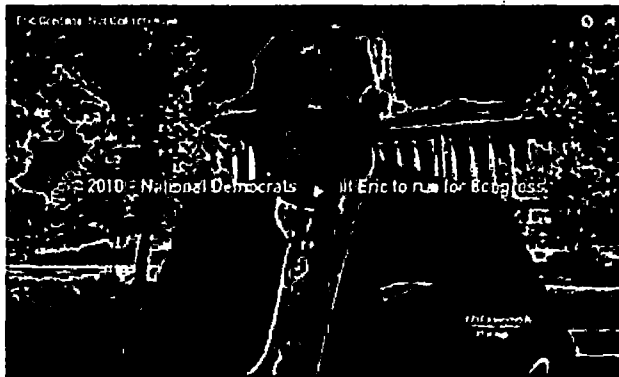


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"Fifty-seven percent of the total amount of contributions to the campaign came from out-of-state, with California and New York the sources for the largest number of each contribution," taken from the campaign website.



ERIC GREITENS

WHY ERIC GREITENS?

Eric Greitens is a young man who has achieved great things in a short time. He is a leader, a team player, and a person who is always looking for ways to improve himself and his team. He is a person who is always looking for ways to improve himself and his team.

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HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Through the use of press, on-air, mail, e-mail, targeting, direct mail, and persistence you can make a difference.

"Patriots for America started direct mail, cloning top GOP's top fundraising members Eric Greitens for being clumsy with Dana a couple years ago. As much as Greitens probably can't wait to see Kuster in the general election, it's not going to happen if these attacks keep coming." Missouri Street Political Intelligence and Analysis Week of December 18, 2018

"Nothing about this guy's background knowing that he's running for the 2018 election as a Republican makes any sense considering that everything about his background until just a couple of years ago is all Democratic, all liberal policies, and etc. I mean, this guy looks like he's from the opposite party to what it looks like to me." - Eric Farris, Eric Farris Show 12/5/18

Our research and analysis brought the United States Citizens to watch this report of greed and hatred. It is not an opinion. Greitens' recorded comments are not and should not be taken as a statement of fact. This is a report and represents our findings.

"Go back to that part where he was like 'I want to meet you in person my friend.' It's like he's in Screen or something like that. It's like he's the killer in the closet or something like that. 'I want to meet you in person my friend'. I want to meet you in person." - Dana Leesch, The Dana Show 12/2/18



ERIC GREITENS IS NOT A CONSERVATIVE. NOT THEN. NOT NOW. NOT EVER.

WE VALUE YOUR OPINION

After reading this report, please let us know your opinion by the deadline of December 18, 2018.

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DIRTY MONEY

UNFIT: WHY ERIC GREITENS MUST NEVER BE GOVERNOR

Once again, disturbing revelations about Eric Greitens' campaign for governor have rocked the Missouri political world. This time, however, it is a disgusting scandal without parallel. Evidently he will do literally anything to obtain the judgeship clause that the Governorship would bestow upon him. This latest scandal tells us a team of SEAs' lawyers retained his claims of "slavery" value; new details regarding his Democratic narrative; the fact that he is accepting tens of thousands of dollars from out of state liberals attempting to buy his support - this time for warms than even these disturbing reports. This Eric Greitens and his team sayfully by white duty called and failed to defend the young victim of human trafficking that his target donor allegedly spent the last 12 years sexually assaulting. Through their silence and inaction, they condone this evil. Adding to an ever-growing list, this is further proof that Eric Greitens is completely unfit to be the chief executive of Missouri.

A California homemaker has contributed \$1,000,000 to the Greitens campaign for governor. According to court filings and media reports, the donor who was married and has two kids, purportedly spent 12 years sexually assaulting a young woman under the false pretense that he would help her escape the human traffickers that held her hostage since she was a 15 year old child [1]. These initial reports go on to describe how he would force her to call him "king" and "emperor" and subject her to "countless hours of forced sodomy" [2]. The alleged physical assault on this young woman were so gruesome that she required surgery on one occasion. After shock also includes that through his sexual predilections, he also infected her with human papillomavirus (HPV) [3].

In legal matters, it is not clear how old she was when she became a slave to the donor's perverse desires and habits. UPDATE: One of the donor's lawyers said the narrative told that the suit "excludes time a girl" and leads people to believe she was younger than she was when she met the donor first met. The lawyer said she was born in late 1980 and was 22 years old when they first met, which he said was in early 2002 [12]. Regardless, it appears this man discovered a scared, innocent victim of trafficking, and exploited her vulnerability for his own benefit, often violently [6]. Allegedly, the donor even offered to pay her \$400,000 for "bush income" (working out \$10,000/COV) before he changed his mind [7].

Consider: This far right, profile Silicon Valley venture capitalist who, until his Senate Capital, found the she helped to distribute that he was reportedly forced to immediate divestment from the firm [8].

Consider: This same donor recently contributed \$250,000 to the Super PAC that is aiding the Presidential campaign of Governor John Kasich. Upon hearing the news reports, Governor Kasich promptly and immediately donated the entire contribution to organizations committed to eradicating human trafficking [9].

Consider: All other candidates running for governor in Missouri have publicly denounced this type of alleged behavior, and have urged calls for Mr. Greitens to return the contribution.

The right course of action seems obvious here, even if you were born with a set of "diamond" ears that can rationalize almost anything. However, however, Mr. Greitens has stated he is lying onto the donor's money because he is taking a "hard on principle" [10]. He has also had the audacity to accuse the husband of lying with prostitutes to exaggerate the facts [11] to a "kissing tone". Mr. Greitens has repeatedly stated he will not only take the money, but has refused to say whether he will accept even more money from the donor [12]. In fact, five days after the allegations surfaced about the claimed abuse became public, and he was interviewed by his own company. Eric Greitens personally traveled to California to attend a fundraiser. Even with knowledge of the issues associated above, this candidate casually fraternized with the accused donor and his campaign in wealthy California board donors. In case there was any doubt of his allegiance, Greitens referred to the accused donor as a "partner" in an interview with St. Louis Public Radio on January 26. He stated that he was "grateful" to the donor support [13].

Patriots don't get into positions where these types of allegations occur. Patriots know right from wrong. Patriots defend Missouri values. Patriots have courage and take action on behalf of victims, even when it may cost their campaign some television ads. This election cycle, Eric Greitens has betrayed the trust of Missouri voters, and particularly young women, with his refusal to take a strong stand against all types of perversion.

In Mr. Greitens' own book, *The Warrior's Heart*, he writes of an inspirational message given by a Senior Officer during his military training: "Every time a woman leaves your side, she should feel better about herself." [14] Greitens unfortunately doesn't apply this dictum when it inconveniently rebukes his closest supporters.

Ironically, Mr. Greitens and his team have made ethics reform a centerpiece of his campaign for governor. He has gone so far as to claim that one of his top priorities is to end donations from companies under investigation. Should we stand silent and allow this flagrant hypocrisy to go unnoted? No - silence and inaction define the path that Greitens has selected, a path that diverges sharply with the one traveled by true patriots.

If he is willing to accept massive donations from men who are even so much as accused of heinous acts, what other unethical actions would he be willing to take in order to achieve his goals of high office? Greitens often calls his donors "investors." Do we really want men who are surrounded by accusations to have influence over policies that govern Missouri families?

Greitens clearly places his own insatiable ambition over basic human decency. He has refused the obvious, natural response to this heartbreaking situation. Thus, he embodies the very type of slimy, selfish political candidate that citizens have learned are not to be trusted. The people of Missouri deserve better.

Missouri should not support its own house of Cards, Frank Underwood, whose selfish and ruthless behavior comes at the expense of the very citizens he is supposed to represent and serve. Based on this terrifying comparison, it is clear that Greitens is the wrong choice for Missouri.

Eric Greitens is unfit to serve as Missouri's governor. If he lacks the moral fiber and common sense to return money that is permed with unimaginable allegations, he should withdraw from the race. Since he is likely to do neither, Missouri voters must act accordingly on August 2nd - this August, ANYONE BUT GREITENS.

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FROM OUT OF THE SHADOWS

SILENT PROFESSIONALS DISAVOW GREITENS

On February 11, 2016 a group of 16 current and former Navy SEALs launched a video that eviscerated Eric Greitens' credibility within the NSW (Naval Special Warfare) community. These brave men were fed up with Greitens using their sacrifices for his own political and financial gain.

Patriots for America is comprised of veterans from three different branches of service and was shocked to discover that it is a web of lies told by Eric Greitens reaches beyond his flip-flopping political positions to a falsified and exaggerated military past.

To the men of Operation Vigilant Resolve 5326, as fellow veterans we applaud your exposure of Eric Greitens' lies. In our eyes, Eric has now surpassed his status of being a dishonest establishment liberal, to that of a low life guilty of Stolen Valor.

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NAVY SEALs CLAIM CREDIT FOR VIDEO CRITICAL OF GREITENS

THE MISSOURI TIMES

MARCH 9, 2016

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. - The men who designed, produced, and edited content for a video critical of Missouri gubernatorial candidate Eric Greitens' time as a Navy SEAL have come forward to the Missouri Times. The makers of "Eric Greitens: The Hero and the Myth," are a group of current and former Navy SEALs who have served with him, conquered him, or are currently serving in the SEALs.

The group of 16 current and former SEALs spoke to the Missouri Times and shared how the video was made, their motivations behind the video, and their feelings on SEALs seeking notoriety from their service.

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Due to their desire not to seek fame or notoriety, as well as the fact that their service has put themselves and their families in danger, the SEALs could not have their names or ranks printed, but did offer to meet in person, on the record with Greitens in the Missouri Times' offices in Jefferson City, if Greitens was willing to meet with them.

"A lot of us don't want our names in the public because of what we did overseas. There's a security threat to ourselves and our families," one said. "There's active duty guys on this call that can't speak because their careers would be ruined. There's guys on this call that are involved in nonprofit organizations that support SEALs. There's a lot of reasons why we can't come out to say we represent the community against Eric Greitens."

SEE THE FULL ARTICLE HERE.

COMMENTS FROM SEALS IN RESPONSE TO "THE HEART AND THE MYTH"

"The people of this nation should be suspicious of SEALs who speak too loudly about themselves or act too interested in undermining their elected leaders. We must maintain our humility in the face of great public adoration and acclaim. Today, we are inundated by stories in the media telling us how great we are. We are great, but success and praise can be fleeting, and the quickest way to lose the respect of the American people is to become too enthralled with ourselves." - Admiral William H. McRaven's retirement message in August 2014, after thirty-seven years in Naval Special Warfare is instructive.

Sonny 222

This video panders to people who don't understand the culture or the workings of the teams. How many platoons was he in? This video answers with time in service. That's not the question that's asked. He didn't answer bc he wasn't in any platoons. His answer to what he did overseas is taken from his Fitrep, which is something he wrote himself (because everyone writes their own Fitrep). It's a useless piece of paper that's complete crap (like a lot of admin procedures done in the navy). Everyone writes their own and hardly anyone ever gets a bad Fitrep. Just because a SEAL is overseas, it doesn't mean he leaves the wire. And it doesn't mean he is there in a SEAL assaulter role. Especially as a junior officer. If he wasn't in a platoon at that point in his career, something was wrong. And if he was overseas at that time and not in a platoon, he wasn't in an operational role. So any claim he makes as to "leading men in combat" sounds very suspicious to me. This video is smoke and mirrors. As to the quote in there that he was as references, I know who the book was written about.

What I don't know is how you get pulled from one deployment, which was also in the winter time in afg when, especially at that time, there is no fighting because the mujahideen shut down during the cold and fighting season starts in the spring. I also am confused because as I remember it, he got out of the navy due to family issues caused by things not related to the navy. As for the other ex-team guy, my reaction is that he's a politician. So in saying that, he could have a wide gamut of reasons to take up for greitens. There's also the fact that enlisted guys will out each other for weakness and bad performance all the time. They hold each other accountable with a ferocity that is necessary in the teams. Officers however, won't. And that's another reason why a lot of enlisted guys don't care for a lot of officers. Not all of them, but a lot. Another issue I have with this is the word "coward" being thrown around. The first video was in my estimation, made by team guys. Anonymity used to be very important in the teams until a few started with the books and the movies and all that crap. It's still important to the majority of guys. There's also the notion that it could be active-duty members. But to call guys who run towards the fight and who willingly put their lives on the line "cowards" is ridiculous. Especially when used by a guy who probably never fired his weapon at the enemy, or was fired upon...because he stayed in the wife (if that is indeed accurate which from what I'm told, it is) And for everyone's enlightenment, a bronze star without a valor device or a "V", is an admin award. If there's no "V" then there was no combat. And you can get a Purple Heart for any injury in a combat theatre not just an injury for something that happened in actual combat. Reputation is EVERYTHING in the teams. And everyone in the teams, will know yours regardless of whether or not they've even met you in person. They know your reputation before they know your face. Now I didn't work with greitens. And I can't say from personal experience who he is. But I know guys who did. And I know of his reputation, which was terrible. From BUDs and into the teams. And I can tell you they LOVED the video that tore him apart. And it spread like wildfire amongst the guys on both coasts. Because guys are sick of people who come into the teams for themselves, avoid the dirty work and get out as fast as they can, just to tell the world that they were a "navy SEAL" for the fame and the cameras. They didn't come in for the brotherhood, or to serve, or to carry the fight to the enemy. Here's some insight: there's a huge difference between a Navy SEAL and a team guy. Just because someone is a SEAL, it doesn't make him a team guy. And I can say that if greitens reputation was good with the guys in the teams, there never would've been a video in the first place.

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He is a turd. Taking his bird for a walk to attempt to use his SEAL past as a crutch to gain political status. Stop seeking recognition for your actions asshole.

Nick Lugo

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Chris L

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Papa Smurf 1 month ago

This is the guy that BUDs or SEAL selection course is suppose to weed out. We have a name for dudes like this, the guys that are there for the fame and attention and not there for their brothers and to bring the heat to our enemies...Turd That's what this guy is, a huge toilet clogging turd

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Disgrace and embarrassment to all of us
A turd.

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Joey Kinsey
he is a turd

chris rollins
There's Team guys and guys in the Teams. Turd

John Allen
Turd

chase sullivan
Turd

Rich Mendes
Turd

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So, Eric Greiten put pictures of his performance reports up on Facebook. as to debunk his video; on one of them it stated that on a 7 month deployment he had conducted 200+ combat operations!!!!
I called him out on it, he erased my Facebook comment, barred me from commenting on his public Facebook page and has since removed the pictures of his copes!!!!
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What a Turd. Greiten was betting that guys wouldn't out him and would give him a free pass. He's no better than a terrorist running into a mosque - he thought that no one would drop ordinance on him because he went to BUD/S. He thought wrong. What a shitbag.

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Silent Professional

• In 2003, you were assigned to SEAL Team One following graduation from BUD/s Class 237. However, instead of regular assignment to a SEAL Platoon, you were assigned in Special Boat Unit-12. After this assignment, you left active duty and severed your commitment after only two years to become a White House Fellow in 2004. Despite your designation as a SEAL for completing SEAL training, many SEALs have remarked that you have still never served in a SEAL Platoon, a requirement for promotion and for consideration by your peers as a "real" operator. When did you begin to seek the White House Fellowship and given the state of the war in Iraq, why did you choose not to accept the Assistant Officer in Charge position (AOIC) offered by your then Commanding Officer Bill Wilson or Operations Officer Michael Martin? Having served with you, what would they say about your service and reputation as a SEAL: why did you not have them speak of your behalf?

• An Internet search of "Erik" "Grierson" yields hundreds of hours of videos, interviews and other media regarding your service as a SEAL. You are frequently introduced as a Navy SEAL and have made a successful career as a professional speaker where you often describe specific details of your service. Your service is a cornerstone of your campaign. Given the stated SEAL Ethos - a mandatory vow taken by SEAL operators "I do not advertise the nature of my work nor seek recognition for my actions," how do you reconcile this disparity?

• Regarding your involvement in the Thailand drug scandal, you state that you did the "right thing" and acted with courage by turning in your teammates while on deployment, and that the recent video was attributed to some of those disgruntled teammates. What would David Silverman, your then senior officer and highly decorated, respected SEAL, say about your actions on that deployment?

• Many SEALs have commented that it was strange that you deployed as a reservist with a Marine Unit to Iraq, instead of joining the SEALs that were actively fighting in Iraq at that time and were readily accepting SEAL Officers as augment to their units. Why did you not join a SEAL Team to deploy to Iraq?

• You founded the Mission Continues to help veterans after visiting injured service members: Walter Reed using your "combat" pay, which based on your stated deployment time, was less than \$2,000. Meanwhile, the Navy SEAL Foundation is a respected, established organization whose mission is to support members of Naval Special Warfare and their families during times of tragedy. Instead of creating a new foundation, why did you not choose to work with and support the Navy SEAL Foundation? What is your current relationship with the Navy SEAL Foundation?

• In your response to the video created by and watched by thousands of Navy SEALs, you provided endorsements from former SEALs (Roh O'Neil, Ryan Zinke) with notoriously poor reputations amongst SEALs, and have largely been "shunned" within the SEAL community today for their self-promotion and post-service failure to be "silent professionals". Do you believe you have a strong reputation within the SEAL Community today or do you consider those individuals a more accurate reflection of your own reputation within the SEAL Teams?

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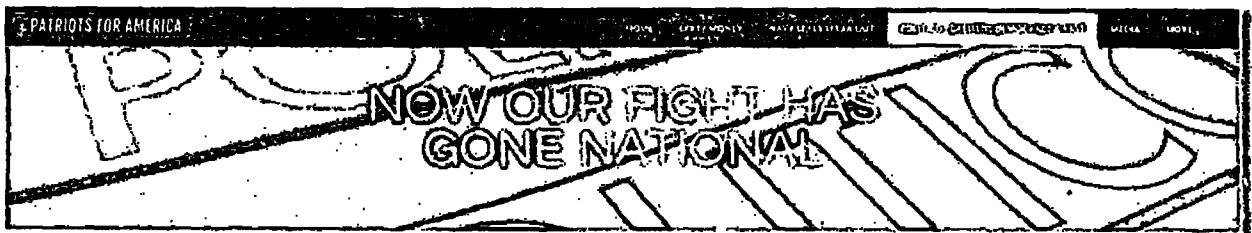
I have had the HONOR of working at Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek Fort Story dating back to 1983, prior to that my father worked at NAB from 1969 until 1997. Those that have been there know NAB was the previous name for Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek. I have worked closely as a civilian with the teams providing logistical support for whatever they needed. I say these things to validate what I am about to say. It sickens me when someone takes the Honor that these men have fought and died for. I'm a vet but could never have been a SEAL nor even a military support unit as SBU or anyone in the Specwar community. These guys are the real deal, why hasn't someone taken to Erik? I've seen enough on base memorial services at the chapel, I've seen enough gatherings at the museum. You want to talk the talk, you damn well better walk the walk. I pray this guy gets his just return on the life he's living with so many men knowing he is bullshit. To the guys at the "Creek", I salute you, you are the BEST.

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I know Erik - here's the deal: Erik is ambitious and self-centered, always has been. His latest interest in politics is not surprising. He did the minimums in the Teams (no platoons) and is trying to capitalize for personal gain. But unfortunately he's not alone. This video is obviously created by SEALs intended for SEALs and most operators are embarrassed for him. He's technically a SEAL but in no way a Team guy. Thanks for bringing this to light. Grierson - turd and it looks like a lot of guys agree.

Matthew
The Turd.



ERIC GREITENS' DEMOCRATIC PAST

By Kevin Roberts
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Eric Greitens did not have a hard response when Democrats asked him to run for Congress in 2009. "I told them no," said Greitens, then a Republican candidate for governor of Missouri, on a local political talk show in October. "I'm a Republican and a conservative." He added, "I won't convert for a long time before that."

But at the time, he was still a young, high-achieving entrepreneur. He was, and the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, then led by POLITICAL and interviewed with Democrats about the idea of running for Congress during a month-long courtship that culminated in a trip to Washington, where he met with Democratic congressmen and top DCCC officials. Greitens' incredible military biography and exacting business practices had drawn the attention of national Republicans, who are eager to replace Missouri's governor's mansion in 2016. And he has been observed being a Democrat in the past. Greitens was a member of the 1990s, he would be the first Republican ever voted for.

But Greitens' record of engagement and relationships with the Democratic establishment as recently as a few years ago contradicted the self-proclaimed "conservative outsider" gubernatorial campaign he is running. In an interview, Greitens said congressional Democrats' recruitment efforts made him realize that he didn't belong in the party. "I know I was a conservative person," he said POLITICAL. "But those conversations helped me realize I wasn't a Democrat." But Democrats remember Greitens supporting a House majority that was dismantling Obamacare, passing cap-and-trade legislation, and working to repeal the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. "He was totally in line with Democratic values," said Rep. Steve Israel, who was the DCCC's recruiting chairman for the 2010 cycle. "I thought he was a progressive liberal at the time."

Plus, there was the matter of Greitens' service. Many of the same attributes that have Republicans, including conservative donors, spread nationwide, so far, heading into 2016 were highly attractive to Democrats looking to recruit a candidate against Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer in 2016. A Duke University graduate who spent his summers in college working on humanitarian missions in China, the Balkans and Palestine before winning a Rhodes Scholarship, Greitens went on to earn a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart as a Navy SEAL and for several years as a SEAL. He also won a medal for his service in Afghanistan. He was a member of the House of Representatives. As a member of Congress, Greitens won a national junior middleweight championship by knockout after his first opponent had Greitens knock out a semifinalist in the first round. His opponent, The Marine Corpsman, is now the subject of a best-selling book, "Charlie Miller," by Time magazine's Joe Klein. Greitens has also written three books of his own.

While Democrats who spoke to Greitens as he considered a 2010 House run didn't point to specific cases where Greitens took liberal positions, they don't remember him objecting to what the Henry Hyde Institute for Democracy was doing to get sold he had no concerns about Greitens' political positions. Greitens was along the center of the spectrum in his 2009 book, "The House and the Fiat." Greitens considers the Palestinian cause to the U.S. civil rights movement and Indian resistance to British colonialism. "That was the only difference I had with him," Israel told POLITICAL. Greitens' campaign manager, Austin Chambers, laughed off Israel's concerns, saying, "Like a lot of politicians, Congressman Israel has a tough time with the truth and is trying to score cheap political points because Democrats are tired of running against Eric. The fact is Eric is Jewish and it's outrageous for anyone to suggest he isn't pro-Israel." Greitens first considered running for Senate as a Democrat in 2009, but he served after Missouri's Democratic Secretary of State Robin Carnahan entered the race, according to DCCC records. He began talking with the committee in March of that year. He spoke with then Majority Leader Steny Hoyer in May and then DCCC Chairman Chris Van Hollen in June. He flew to D.C. on July 13 for meetings with committee staff. Democratic members gave Mark Goren Van Hollen, to ask and then Rep. Patrick Murphy and then Congressman. Then Rep. Tom Vitter wrote a letter to and a letter to President Barack Obama, calling him the next day.

Israel and Vitter later who managed Greitens' recruitment at the DCCC's Midwest political director and now works for Steve Pritz. Media remembers the liberal candidate as engaged, taking questions and scribbling notes. "It was a momentous time for liberal politics," Israel said, "and he was all on board with being a Democrat and running for Congress." During the recruitment, Greitens also spoke to a meeting of the West County Democrats, a group in St. Louis known for its liberalism and support of unions. But an official with the group said minutes from the May 2009 meeting indicate Greitens mostly spoke about his humanitarian work and his book, and that speakers "were not limited to partisan politics."

But to conservative activists who Obama's campaign exploded during the August congressional recess, Israel had heard, it was earlier confident Greitens would run for the GOP in the past, saw the rest of the interview. "He dropped off the radar," Israel said. "As the climate and holder for Democrats, he became harder to reach on the phone." Greitens says he "listened to the DCCC's pitch out of politeness, not as a goal in mind." "They did also listen to people who wanted me to work for a Fortune 500 company or run a university," he said.

For most of his life, Greitens says, he was a Republican. But, as he earned a bachelor's degree in public policy and a doctorate in political science, he said he was influenced by the moral values of his parents and his own experiences. Greitens said he was inspired by his parents' values after his experience, serving in a Navy SEAL, watching international aid workers after 9/11, and seeing the Democratic Veterans Affairs bill the next day. "It's not that I doubted their intentions," he wrote about his parents. "But good intentions are not enough. Good intentions are not enough. Even when they're storing up people's money, that's not enough. But they're not enough. To actually achieve meaningful results, you have to have good ideas, discipline and accountability in getting things done. The problem is that most Democrats seem to think more money and bigger government are the solutions to virtually every single problem. They're wrong."

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In Missouri, though, there are people who see him as a political opportunist. Holden Gretem's friend and the former governor, said that he thought Gretem's party switch was driven by Klayton's link to the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in 2016. "In me, an Eric Gretem, and a Donald Trump aren't in the same party," Holden said. "I think Eric made the right decision that the best way to become a governor is to be the Republican nominee."

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Sincerely,

Eric Greitens

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The Nick Reed Show Covers Eric Greitens: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LmTwBxkKAic>

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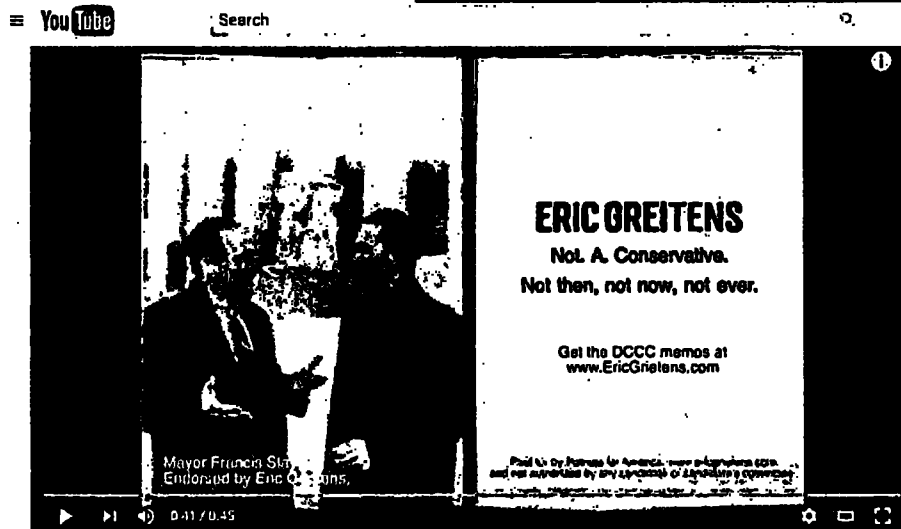
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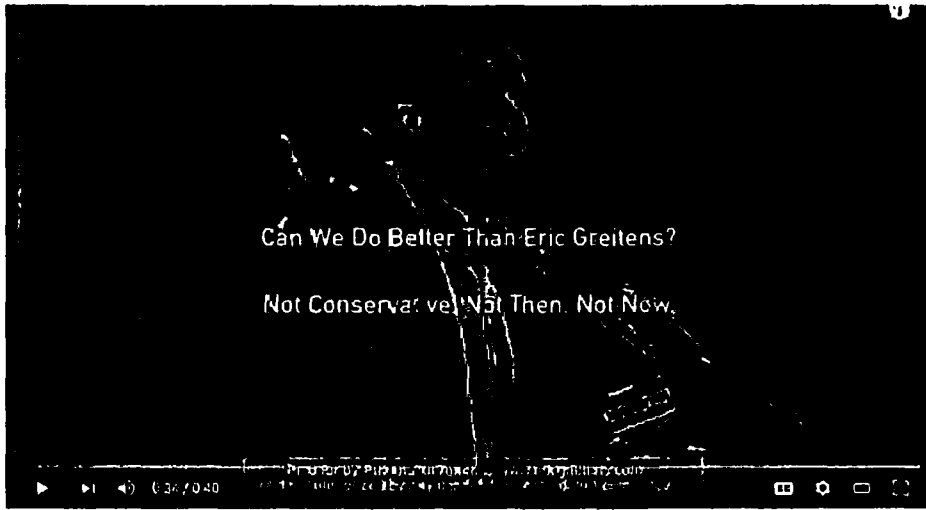


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